

Fiscal Note

Fiscal Services Division



HF 2410 – All Terrain Vehicle (ATV), Snowmobile, and Boat Programs (LSB 5210HV)
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Description

House File 2410 updates Iowa Code language and definitions pertaining to snowmobiles, ATVs, and watercraft. Some of the changes include:

- Requiring residents to purchase a \$15 resident user permit to operate snowmobiles on public land.
- Eliminating dealer special registration exemptions for off-road utility vehicles.
- Changing snowmobile and ATV dealer special registration fees from an annual \$15 fee to a three-year fee of \$45.
- Prohibiting waterskiing except on rivers and streams during the period between November 1 and April 1. Waterskiing violations will be fined \$100.
- **House File 2410** replaces the term safety certificate with education certificate.

Background

Moneys collected from snowmobile user permits are deposited in the Snowmobile Registration Fee Fund. This Fund is dedicated to snowmobile programs, safety education, and trail maintenance. Language updates and other changes were requested by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Assumptions

The DNR currently registers approximately 29,000 snowmobiles each year. It estimated the user permit will apply to 80% of registered snowmobiles. This would result in the purchase of 23,200 user permits at \$15 each. The estimated revenue increase is \$348,000. The DNR anticipates spending additional revenue on trail development, maintenance, and operation. The fiscal impact of prohibiting waterskiing fines cannot be determined.

Correctional Impact

The correctional impact is expected to be minimal.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund. The estimated increase in revenue to the Snowmobile Registration Fee Fund is \$348,000 in FY 2013 and each year after.

Sources

Department of Natural Resources
Department of Human Rights

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The fiscal note for this bill was prepared pursuant to **Joint Rule 17** and the correctional and minority impact statements were prepared pursuant to **Iowa Code section 2.56**. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.
